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SUBJ: CIVAIR: TWA AND NATIONAL LEFT OUT OF SCANDANAVIAN SEAMEN'S
DISCOUNT SCHEME

REF: 76 STOCKHOLM 3260 (NOTAL)

1. TWA REPRESENTATIVE IN STOCKHOLM, BRITT ANDERSON, AND NATIONAL AIRLINES REPRESENTATIVE IN LONDON, RONALD DAVIES, CALLED ON EMBASSY OFFICER ON APRIL 4 TO COMPLAIN THAT THEIR LINES WERE NOT BEING ALLOWED TO PARTICIPATE IN THE SCANDANAVIAN SEAMEN'S DISCOUNT PLAN. TWA REP NOTED SWEDISH CIVIL AVIATION BOARD LETTER CONTAINED REFTEL OF JUNE 1976 WHICH STATED THAT "...FROM A GOVERNMENT POINT OF VIEW I CAN SEE NO CIRCUMSTANCES THAT WOULD PREVENT TWO FROM TAKING PART IN THE SCANDANAVIAN SEAMEN'S DISCOUNT SCHEME." TWO REP, USING THIS LETTER WITH CIVIL AVIATION OFFICIALS IN COPENHAGEN AND OSLO, HOWEVER, RECEIVED NEGATIVE REPLIES, AND ANOTHER REPLY FROM SWEDISH CAB IN DECEMBER WHICH REVERSED THE EARLIER, APPARENTLY FAVOURABLE JUDGMENT.

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2. BOTH REPS EMPHASIZED THAT SHIPS' CREWS BEING FLOWN FROM SWEDEN, DENMARK, AND PARTICULARLY NORWAY, TO THEIR SHIPS IN US PORTS COMPRISE SIGNIFICANT VOLUME OF TRAFFIC. BUT, APPARENTLY DUE TO SAS INFLUENCE WITH TRAVEL AGENCIES AND SHIPPING COMPANIES' OFFICIALS, THE CREWS ARE BEING FLOWN BY SAS, BRITISH AIRWAYS AND PAN AMERICAN TO US. TWA WOULD LIKE SOME OF THE TICKETING OF SEAMEN VIA ITS CONNECTIONS IN EUROPE--

LONDON OR PARIS--AND NATIONAL WANTS A SHARE VIA ITS SERVICE IN LONDON.

3. THE REPS THOUGH THAT THE FACT THAT NEITHER OF THE LINES SERVE SCANDANAVIA MIGHT HAVE BEEN WRONGLY INTERPRETED TO EXCLUDE THEM FROM PARTICIPATING.

4. WASHINGTON REPRESENTATIVES OF NATIONAL AND TWA MAY SEEK SUPPORT FROM STATE OFFICE OF AVIATION IN THIS MATTER IN NEAR FUTURE.

5. ACTION REQUESTED: EMBASSY COULD RAISE WITH SWEDISH CIVIL AVIATION BOARD AGAIN, BUT WOULD APPRECIATE GUIDANCE ON REGULATIONS AND PRACTICE CONCERNING SEAMEN'S DISCOUNT AIR TRAVEL.
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